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Dear Ralph,

Your notes of the 18th and 21st both arrived today.

On the lawyers: Bud Fensterwald has finally agreed to take a limited case under the Freedom of Information Act because of something new I have developed that should be pretty good in court. I have prepared the initial papers for him and will deliver them to him tomorrow. Until we see how this goes, for the moment I think it best to hold off on the others. Bud, remember, was general counsel of the Senate committee that produced the law. Any judge will recognize him as an expert on Congressional intent, unless he is hopelessly corrupted at the outset. There can be a great advantage in a more limited action than I had in mind to begin with. We can discuss this when you are here. Meanwhile, I'll hold onto the names.

The first half of August is fine. I have plenty to keep me going. I've done about 60,000 words of the addition to COUP D'ETAT. Without having read any of it, in my mind I feel I have established an overwhelming case to acquit the still-living and "confessed" assassin and to establish a conspiracy. The addition will be quite long, too long (but the job of an initial adequate documenting must be done and no one else is doing it). The original book is about 125,000 words without appendix. And I'm far from done.

Thanks for the clipping. I had lost a similar one I had. Probably misfiled it. While on the face of it that is hard to believe, I have always intended pursuing it further when possible.

Have a good trip, and thanks.

Sincerely,